

# *Holiday Newsletter*

## *Special Edition*

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*Happy Holidays*  
*to One and All*  
*from the Staff of*  
*Historic Bethlehem!*

Dear Member,

The holiday season has arrived! Historic Bethlehem has many exciting seasonal additions to enjoy. The Moravian Museum is featuring the spectacular *Festkultur* exhibit, and the Kemerer Museum is featuring a very special exhibit, *The Colors of Christmas*, and wonderful Prime Dollhouse and Toy Collection through the holidays.

Carriage rides, historic walking tours, [children's activities](#), [Christmas putzes](#), [Burnside Crafter's Greens Sale](#), and more are a wonderful way to enjoy the holidays with friends and family!

Our holiday activities and events tickets are available for purchase now by visiting [www.ChristmasCity.org](http://www.ChristmasCity.org). Our beautiful historic sites are available for your holiday parties, and our [Certified Event Planner](#) is looking forward to helping you plan for any size and occasion.

For that special someone who has everything, consider giving [the gift of membership](#) - a gift that can be enjoyed all year long through museum visits, special event invitations, and so much more!

We wish you happy holidays and good cheer!  
Thank you for your continued interest in helping us preserve historic Bethlehem.

### **Annual Holiday Auction and Dinner** **Saturday, December 6**

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The event will be on Saturday, **December 6, 2008** at the LSI Corporation, 1110 American Parkway NE, Allentown, PA 18109.

A benefactor's reception honoring Leonard and Emmeline Dimmick will celebrate the opening of the art and silent auction at 5:30 pm. Cocktails and dinner will follow, and the live auction will feature a

limited number of exceptional items including the original painting, "Bethlehem 1855", by Noel Adams, Historic Bethlehem Partnership's 2008 Holiday Card.

Tables of 4,6, and 8 are available. The per person price is as follows:

*Benefactor Level*

Includes admission to Benefactor's Reception at 5:30 and program book listing \$225 per person

*Guest Level*

Includes admission to cocktails at 6:30 \$175 per person

RSVP by November 21, 2008. Contact Liz Johnson at 610-882-0450 x13 or by email at [ejohnson@historicbethlehem.org](mailto:ejohnson@historicbethlehem.org).

**Burnside Crafters' Holiday Greens Sale  
Saturday, December 6**

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Come enjoy a delightful selection of handmade holiday wreaths, swags, decorations, and gifts presented by the Burnside Plantation's Crafters. A raffle will be held at 3pm. A very special addition to this annual sale is the Rebecca Burnside doll, an 18" doll clothed in the period dress of a working farm girl of the 18th century, and is available for purchase.

The event will be held on Saturday, December 6 at the Burnside Plantation from 10am to 3pm. Burnside Plantation is located at 1461 Schoenersville Road, Bethlehem, PA.

**Sisters' House Open House and Putz Display  
Saturday, December 13 and Sunday, December 14**

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Experience Christmas from all over the world! The Sisters' House will be open to tour and the rooms will be filled with over 150 putzes from around the world, courtesy of George Dvorsky, whose Christmas putz collection is a sight to be seen!

The Open House and Putz displays will be available to tour on December 13, 10am to 4pm, and December 14, noon to 4pm. Don't miss out on this opportunity to visit the private Sisters' House and experience Christmas putzes like never before!

The cost of admission is \$10 per person, and the event is located at the Sisters' House at 66 W. Church Street, Bethlehem, PA.

**\*NEW\* Smithsonian Art Program  
A wonderful gift idea for art lovers!**

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In association with the Smithsonian Institution, Historic Bethlehem Partnership is proud to present a new program that will allow members to purchase limited-edition prints commissioned by the Smithsonian at very special prices

through the Welcome Center store on Main Street or directly through the website.

The current art on display at the Welcome Center is *August Breakfast/Maine* by Carolyn Brady and is just one example of the special collection of Smithsonian prints, available for purchase and shipment directly to your home.

Proceeds from the sale of these limited-edition prints support the Historic Bethlehem Partnership and the cultural and educational programs of the Smithsonian.

For more information on the program or to purchase an art piece, call 610-691-6055 or visit the Welcome Center at 505 Main Street to view the print in person.

## **Children's Holiday Activities Saturdays in December**

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### **Workshop at the Waterworks All Saturdays in December**

Bring the kids to the 1762 Waterworks on any Saturday in December from noon to 4pm, and they will have the opportunity to make great holiday decorations on their own!

The workshop is for children ages 12 and under, and is free with any same-day receipt of admission to any Historic Bethlehem site.

### **Holiday Cookie Decorating in Mrs. Goundie's Kitchen Saturday December 20 and 27**

In this fun afternoon activity, children ages 3-12 are invited to decorate a holiday cookie with Mrs. Goundie in the Goundie House at 505 Main Street.

The kitchen activity is open Saturday, December 20 and 27, at 1:30, 2:00, 2:30, and 3:00. The cost per child is \$5. Advance reservations are highly recommended.

Please call 610-691-6055 to reserve your child's place!

## **Historic Holiday Activities for the Whole Family!**

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Plenty of exciting, unique holiday activities for your and your family to enjoy this season! Have relatives and friends coming to visit? Why not take them on a scenic holiday tour of beautiful historic Bethlehem?

To purchase tickets for any of the following events, visit [www.christmascity.org](http://www.christmascity.org), or call a Ticket Specialist at the Welcome Center on Main Street at 610-691-6055.

Make this season one to remember!

### ***Bethlehem by Night Bus Tour***

Tours depart Historic Bethlehem Welcome Center, 505 Main St. A great way to see the sites of North and South Bethlehem and,

perhaps, reflect upon your own meaning of the holidays while immersed in Bethlehem's quiet beauty.

Historic Bethlehem Welcome Center, 505 Main St.  
Nov. 28-30, Dec. 4-7, 11-14, 18-21 and 26-30  
Mon.-Tues., Thurs.-Fri. and Sun.: 5:30, 6:30 and 7:30 p.m.  
Sat.: 5, 5:30, 6, 6:30, 7, 7:30 and 8 p.m.  
Cost: \$10/adult, \$5/child

***Old Bethlehem Historic Walking Tour***

Historic Bethlehem Welcome Center, 505 Main St.  
Nov. 28 - Dec. 30, No Tours Dec. 24-25 and 31  
11am-4pm

Join your guide dressed in traditional colonial Moravian costume as you visit Historic Bethlehem, just as John Adams and George Washington did before you! Witness Bethlehem's most influential and historic landmarks, enjoy the stories of the people and places that made Bethlehem a center of culture and industry in America, and create your own family tradition to discover the meaning of Christmas in the Christmas City.

Cost: \$3/person

***Early Bethlehem at Work Walking Tour***

Nov. 28-Dec.30, No Tours Dec. 24-25 and 31  
11am-4pm

Tours begin at the 1762 WaterWorks in the Colonial Industrial Quarter. Enjoy a guided walk through the historic Colonial Industrial Quarter as you learn about 18th and 19th century Bethlehem. The tour includes stops at the 1761 Tannery, 1762 Waterworks and the Springhouse, which features a vignette of the first Christmas celebration in Bethlehem.

Cost: \$3/person

Thank you for helping us preserve our history together! Your support is appreciated!

Sincerely,

The Staff and Volunteers at  
Historic Bethlehem

**Save 10%  
at the Welcome  
Center**

Bring this coupon in to receive 15% off your entire purchase at the Welcome Center at 505 Main Street, Bethlehem.

Shop from a wide selection of local and international merchandise, jewelry, and keepsakes.

Offer Expires: December 30, 2008